

LAND AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 3:00 p.m., Board Room, Second Floor, Government Center
1316 North 14th Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chair Allen.

ROLL CALL: Present – Keith Allen, Alan Jaques, Wendy Bong, Scott Luostari, Joseph Moen. Others present – Pete Wolter (remote), Ann Doucette, Mark Liebaert, Jason Jackman, Greg Kessler, Carolyn Pierce, Shelley Nelson (remote), Kaci Lundgren, Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Jaques, second Luostari, to approve minutes for November 29, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

Presentation: Designate land to special use for Fish & Game League, Greg Kessler, WI DNR. Handout distributed. Requesting county consider long-term management of parcels located in Town of Parkland by assigning special use designation. Kessler to work with Forestry Department to gather information on parcels involved.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Luostari, to proceed with concept as presented and request Kessler bring back to committee with additional information. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS/REFERRALS:

LAND SALES:

PARCEL 25-22: Part SW1/4 NE1/4, Section 33-48-14, lying East of railroad, Town of Superior (complete legal description available in County Clerk’s Office). (4584 S County Road C). Zoned: R2 Residential 2. (TS-030-01774-00) No bids received.

PARCEL 32-22: A parcel of land located in the W1/2 of NW1/4 of Section 16-4-12 (complete legal description available in County Clerk’s Office), Town of Amnicon, 5777 S County Road E. Parcel has an abandoned telecommunications tower located in SE corner of parcel. Zoned: A1 – Agricultural. (AM-002-00409-01) No bids received.

PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED PROPERTY

PARCEL 18-22: Lot 1, Block 4, Section 33-49-12, Belleaire Estates Plat 7, Town of Lakeside. Zoned: F1 Forestry. (LA-018-00940-00) \$3,155.00 from Christopher Crawford.

ACTION (RESOLUTION): Motion by Jaques, second Luostari, to approve high bids and forward to County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

From Transportation and Infrastructure Committee: State of Wisconsin Land Exchange for Sand Pit: Jackman looking for approval to hire an agent to start negotiation process with State of Wisconsin to look for viable pit.

ACTION: Motion by Luostari, second Moen, to approve process to move forward with agent to negotiate. Motion carried.

From Forest, Parks and Recreation Committee: Acquisition request of Parcel #MA-020-00343-00 for Regular Use County Forest Entry: Allows direct access to forest land, with an easement on adjoining private property. North ½ (20 acres) of parcel is sufficient for access.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Bong, to refer to next month for additional information to assess proper value for purchase. Motion carried.

DNR Interest and Appraisal Support for Cloverland Parcel: Pete Wolter, DNR sent letter to County Board Chair expressing interest in Cloverland parcel – Federal funding available in 2024; asking for support to get appraisal in 2023 (paid for by DNR) and provide figure to county tentatively by July of this year.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Luostari, to approve request to move forward with an appraisal by DNR on parcel. Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL/REPORTS:

Tax-Deeded Property: Country Acres North and South Trailer Parks: MSA Professional Services researching available funding for disposal of trailers due to asbestos, prior to sale.

Parcel #SU-028-00923-00 (Oswskey) Potential Grant Opportunity: Map of parcel distributed; acquired in 2003 with an unregistered underground tank on property. No grant funds available to aid in removal; may cost up to \$10,000 with additional \$2,500 for sampling and reporting. Reserve balance may be available.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Moen, to refer to next month's meeting for additional information. Motion carried.

Fairgrounds Well Abandonment: Quote received from Twin Ports Testing for \$984 – funding previously approved for up to \$1,000. Clerk to move forward; \$500 to be grant funded.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Bong, to approve moving forward with fairgrounds well abandonment project, utilizing funds from the surcharge account. Motion carried.

Land Sales Database: Utilizing an updated database version and contracting with a company where potential exists for improvements.

Economic Development: No updates.

Land Improvement Account Fund Balance: Reviewed.

Appraisals:

Bid No 1-23: Requested by John Bass. \$2,000.

Bid No 2-23: Requested by Don Kliewer. \$2,000.

Bid No 3-23: Requested by Darin Lund. \$1,500.

Bid No 4-23: Requested by Jonathan Thayer, Jr. \$4,000.

Bid No 5-23: Requested by Chris Crawford. \$2,000.

Bid No 6-23: Requested by Chris Crawford. \$8,500.

ACTION: Motion by Jaques, second Bong, to approve appraisals. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items: Tourism fund allocation; Osowskey Parcel; Acquisition Request of Parcel #MA-020-00343-00 for Regular Use County Forest Entry.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Luostari, second Moen, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Submitted by,

Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk